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BAD BUGS, AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND MUSLIM REFUGEE TEENS AMONG VIDEO TOPICS FUNDED BY COUNTY CABLE GRANT PROGRAM FOR 2002 Local Non-Profit Organizations Receive \$50,000 in Grants

The San Diego County Board of Supervisors and the County of San Diego Cable & Telecommunications Review Commission today announced grant awards totaling \$50,000 to help non-profits promote their activities and projects. The Community Partnership for Cable Television Grant Program awarded five \$10,000 grants to local non-profit organizations to produce videos on San Diego's housing crisis, San Dieguito River Park, destructive insect pests, homeless children, and Muslim refugee teenagers.

Non-profit groups will each partner with a County department to produce video programs suitable for airing on CTN -- the County Television Network, which is available on Time Warner 22, Cox 19 (North) & 24 (South), and Adelphia 66.

Earth Vision Productions will partner with the County's departments of Planning & Land Use and Housing & Community Development, and SANDAG to produce "Where We Live: The Housing Crisis of San Diego."

Del Mar TV Foundation will partner with the County's Department of Parks & Recreation to produce "A Walk in the Park: Tour of San Dieguito River Park."

San Diego County Farm Bureau will team up with the County's Department of Agriculture, Weights & Measures to create "Bad Bugs," about destructive insect pests.

San Diego State University Center for Documentary & Drama will partner with the County's Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA) to produce a documentary on homeless children called, "The Unseen Children."

The International Rescue Committee will work with the County's HHSA Community Action Partnership to produce "Torn Between Two Worlds: Muslim Refugee Teens in San Diego County."

Applications for next year's grant program will be available in late Summer 2002.

For information on the County's cable grant program and CTN's complete program schedule, visit the web site at www.ctn.org or contact CTN's InfoLine at (619) 595-4600.

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